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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, after the title and the heading CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/629,335, filed August 1, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,645,645, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/207,330, filed May 30, 2000. ~~In addition, the present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/883,734, filed June 18, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Nos. 09/452,346, filed December 1, 1999, now abandoned, and 09/311,126, filed May 13, 1999, now abandoned.~~

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